

In the Specification:

Please amend the paragraph beginning on page 9, line 12 of the Specification as follows:

The node registry 30 then determines if the client node 14 is protected by a firewall by comparing the observed peer IP address with the reported client IP address in step 108. If the peer IP address does not match the client IP address, then the entry for the client node 14 in the node registry 30 is set to indicate that both NAT has been performed on the client node 14, and that the client node 14 is unreachable from the network 10 in step 100.